

City of Annapolis

Recreation and Parks Department

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Recreation Advisory Board April 13, 2011

The regular meeting of the Recreation Advisory Board of the City of Annapolis was held on April 13, 2011 at the Roger "Pip" Moyer Recreation Center. Vice Chair Moyer called the meeting to order at 7:07p.m.

Present: Vice Chair D. Moyer, Harrison, Aist, Fowlkes, Rankin, Hughes, B. Moyer

Absent: Chair Hamill, Weaver, Lowman, Montgomery

I. March 9, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Harrison moved to approve the March 9, 2011 meeting minutes as amended. Ms. Fowlkes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 7-0.

February 9, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Fowlkes moved to approve the February 9, 2011 meeting minutes as written. Mr. Hughes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 7-0.

II. Director's Report

a. PMRC/Monthly Memo

Ms. Plumer referred to the Monthly Manager Report that was included in the Board information packet and highlighted some points of interest specifically the ACHIEVE grant in the amount of \$40,000 that is intended to assess chronic disease prevention. This will be a three year assessment and the Department held its first meeting on the ACHIEVE program at the hospital with Ms. Bistrack leading the charge. Department is gearing up for the summer camp registrations that are going well and the youth TRI-IT Festival and youth triathlon.

<u>B.</u> Recreation and Parks in MD; Healthy People, Communities & Environmental Report
Ms. Rankin reported on the meeting she attended at the State Legislature and that the City's Recreation Department was well on task for meeting Maryland's goals for healthy communities.

c. FY2012 Budget Status

Ms. Plumer had the Department's budget meeting with the Mayor and Finance Director. She shared the current state of operations and the costs recovery for the Recreation Center. She gave an accounting of the expenses and the assets discussed at the meeting. She provided a copy of the budget meeting and Council schedules for those members who were interested in attending to support the Department's budget. Ms. Plumer will reach out to the users using the newsletter to solicit support of the Department budget. The Board recommended that the members continue to attend the Budget hearings to support the Department budget. Ms. Rankin suggested reaching out to the Department's partners such as the pediatrician and medical center for support as well.

d. July 4th Fundraising Report

Ms. Plumer has begun working with Chris Weir and will follow up with WRNR. Mr. Hughes will be meeting with Mr. Weir as well. Mr. Weir is working to set up a Facebook page and Paypal account to receive donations. The Department has sent out parade participant's flyers and has received six or seven entries back. The Fireworks Committee does have a barge and working to obtain a tug for the fireworks show. The Department will be discussing with the Naval Academy new superintendent to see if the seawall can be used this year or in future years.

III. New Business

a. Department Awards Reception - Wednesday, April 20, 2011, 7:00pm

Ms. Plumer reminded members that the Awards Ceremony is scheduled for April 20, 2011 and will include a healthy menu. There are ten staff and volunteers awards to be awarded and three retirees will be given recognition. She encouraged members to attend if their schedules allow.

IV. Play Sub-Committee

a. <u>Discussion on Playful City USA Application Renewal</u>

The City has received national recognition as a playful city. The application is up for renewal and she asked if the Board would support reapplying. This is the first year that there are grants being offered. The Board supports the Department moving forward with preparing the application renewal documents. Ms. Fowlkes agreed to help with the application preparation.

V. Event Horizon – Winter 2011

GreenScape Day scheduled for April 16, 2011, 9:00am is the Easter Bunny breakfast and 12:30pm is the lunch at the Recreation Center. She asked for volunteers. The opening day at the pool is scheduled for May 28, 2011

Triathlon

Mr. Harrison explained that the County passed the Triathlon but it still needs approval from the Police Department.

Steering Committee of the South Greenway

Ms. Aist reported on the Steering Committee of the South Greenway noting that the dam at Waterworks Park is under scrutiny because of the structural concern. The park can not be opened until the dam has been repaired.

Annapolis Half Marathon

Mr. Harrison noted that the Annapolis Half-Marathon registration opens April 15, 2011 and will be limited to 10,000 participants with \$85.00 per person. The event is scheduled for Saturday, September 17, 2011. The three major recipients of the event will be AAMC-Community Center on Forest Drive, Recreation and Parks and Midshipmen Action Group. The Board asked that Mr. Harrison let them know how they can provide assistance. He noted that it is intended to do a follow on to the Renaissance Festival by having a "Runaissance Festival" event during the Spring.

Adjournment

Ms. Fowlkes moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50pm. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 7-0. The next meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2011 at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center conference room.